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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Communications Director of Personnel

Director of Training

General Counsel

Special Support Assistant to DD/S

Director of Security Chief, Audit Staff

Comptroller

Director of Logistics Chief, Medical Staff Chief, Management Staff Chief. Commercial Staff

Chief, Project Administrative Planning Staff

SUBJECT

: Reports Management

- 1. Administrative and management reports constitute a major portion of our ever increasing paperwork volume. To what extent can we increase the value of these reports and provide simpler and more direct reporting methods? How many of our reports duplicate other paperwork, or in other ways are nonessential? What do our reports cost and are they worth the expenditure? We do not have the answers for we have never taken a searching look at this problem.
- 2. I have therefore requested the Chief, Hanagement Staff to coordinate a reports management program for the DD/S area. As an initial step you are asked to survey your reporting requirements to determine whereby improvements can be effected immediately, and to provide the foundation for a continuing program. Enclosure 1 provides instructions for this survey. Information of a general nature is contained in enclosures 2 through 6. Additional copies of all enclosures may be obtained from the Hanagement Staff, Extension
- 3. A BB/S Reports Review Panel composed of the Records Hanagement Officer for Reports, Management Staff as Chairman, and Reports Management Officers representing Offices and Staffs, will review all recommendations on inter-Office and inter-Staff reports. Recommendations on intra-Office and intra-Staff reports will be reviewed at the Office Director or Staff Chief level. The Management Staff will follow through on recommendations of the

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4. The target date for completing your phase of this survey is 7 Hovember. Recommendations developed within your office during this survey will then be considered and acted upon, and you will establish procedures for effective continuing control and improvement of reports within your area. The Chief, Hanagement Staff will provide guidance in establishing your Reports Management Program.

will assist you with the development of improvements resulting from your surveys.

DD/S Reports Review Fanel as approved by the Deputy Director (Support), and

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